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President's Column

Business... & Fleasure

If your lable shows that you haven't paid, this marks the last copy you will recieve, if we don't get your \$15.00 dues for the year.

Since I've been promoted back to Editor again, temporarily, I would like to thank all the club members that have contributed material for this issue. There was actually more than I could fit in, which means that some of the programs will have to wait 'till March. This is wonderful! Keep it up!

If you're trying to think of a project, how about working up a VU-DALC application that will calculate taxes? IRB2, which makes a reprise showing in this issue (as revised by R. Parker), was basically an array with formulas and prompts hung along side — exactly what VU-CALC is set up to do. I'll give a copy of Robert Masters' <u>VU-CALC</u> and <u>VU-FILE</u> the <u>Organizer</u> to the best implementation of a 1040 calculator.

Member Updates

Net Beeler, who gave so much time and enthusiasm to the club last year, has moved, with no forewarding address. If anyone knows where he is, let me know. Jules Gesang is recovering on schedule from his neart attack, and, as of this writing (1-19) should be getting out of the Hospital in the next week. Bernie Gerber is recovering from a major operation as well. Jules says that they'll be pacing each other in their recovery. Al Flynn, who put his poor Sinclair IX81 to more use than any of us, died of lung cancer last December 12, 1984. It was only diagnosed in September. Cigarette smoking also can damage disk drives.

Doings

Hope you got to see the NASA hamfest on the 26th. As a further commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the microcomputer, the Trenton State College is sponsoring its <u>tenth</u> annual Computer Festival on April

18 ± 1.. This is the of the oldest, and last non-commercial computer fairs around. It sounds like it will be HUGE (indoors + 4 acres of fleamarket) and CHEAP (\$7.00 for 2 day's admission). I'd like to go - let's carpool!

Last Month's Meeting ...

Was duite a success. For our group discussion beriod, we discussed the future of CATS. The gradual shift to a variety of other machines was brought up, but a consensus was reached. We decided that CATS should make an effort to review available products (dear reader, this means you). In addition, we should keep the T/S machines as the focal point of the club, while bringing a variety of other machines to the meetings. In line with that, Tucker Sharpe demo'd his NEC notebook computer, and John Conger reviewed Fire in the Valley. In the small group sessions. Tom Bent brought his disc-based ZX &1 system in, and demonstrated its workings to an eager crowd. At the same time, another member demonstrated his program, while I did a demo on string slicing.

Next Month...

Who knows! I'm talking to a variety of people, but I can't say what will develop. If you have something to present, either to the whole group, or to a subset, please phone a few days before - 589-7407.

Member's projects:

Tom Cover is organizing a group buy of the ZXL printer interface. At this point the feasibility is being evaluated – if it works, it will offer an alternate Centronics I/F for the 2068.

In addition, don't forget to look at Pete Geller's letter re. Spectrum ROMs.

Well, that's enough for now. Happy coding, and may all your bugs be little ones!

Man E Fish

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If you've joined in the last few months-Renewalls are only \$750 (For the rest of us, it is \$1500)

Important Dates:
Newsletter d/1 Meeting

February 15 March 15 April 19 May 17 See you there! Meeting
February 9
March 9
April 13
May 11
June 8

Resources for T/S Owners

As Timex owners, we have a number of periodicals that cater to the Timex/Sinclair community. It can pay to subscribe to several of these magazines/newsletters — what one notices may very well be ignored by the rest.

Computer Trader Magazine
Folksy, beginner - intermediate, a variety of machines covered; 30% T/S
\$15.00/yr (12 issues) c.o. Lambert Publishing 1704 Sam Drive
Birmingham, AL 35235

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Edited by a member of CATS!
\$16.95/yr (6 issues) c.o. Tom Woods
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Jefferson, NH 03583

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A general purpose magazine - SYNC on a more realistic scale. Lots of reviews, some overoptimism. \$15.00/yr (12 issues) c.o. T-S Horizons Subscription Dept.

2002 Summit St. Portsmouth, OH 45662

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Lots of products & projects; big newsletter.
\$10.00/year (\$12?)(12 issues) c.o. Doug Dewey
206 James St.
Carrboro, NC 27510

SINCUS

Small but active (3 meetings/mo.!) Good info in N/L, including highlights from other N/L. \$8.00/yr (12 issues) c.o. SINCUS P.O. Box 523
Oswego NY 13827

If you know of any other good newsletters, <u>write</u> them up! Next month, we'll include the English magazine addresses.

SPECTRUM/ROMSWITCH PROGRAM NEWS(January)

This page is intended for those TS-2068 users who own or are contemplating the purchase of a G. Russell Electronics ROMSWITCH. The switch allows the 2068 owner to use the Spectrum 3 Rom inside . the machine alongside the 2068 Rom. This in turn allows quite a few English Spectrum programs to be utilized on the 2068.

January brought in an additional 14 Spectrum programs to test on the ROMSWITCH. I will say that the quality per program was very high this time, with almost no clunkers from a content viewpoint.

After testing Spectrum programs for a couple of months now, I'd say there is no question that the English are way ahead of us in game development versus the game programs that TIMEX was selling for the 2068.

We're still looking for more educational Spectrum programs to test on the Romswitch, but I'm happy to report that two additional Spectrum educational software companies have agreed to let us see if their programs will work on our 2068.

So, for this month all 14 Spectrum programs loaded and ran. Here they are with an occasional editorial comment:

THE BLACK PLANET(wow!) 3-D TANX SPACE INTRUDERS(fun invaders) EARTH DEFENCE(good defenders) HALLS OF THINGS(look out!) MAGIC MOUNTAIN(adventure) DICTATOR(funny & addictive)

DIMENSION DESTRUCTORS(runs 98%) NOWOTNIK PUZZLE(Rubik lives!) SPECTRES(qhost maze) TRANS AM SPECTRUM CHESS II METEOR STORM THE FOREST(impressive)

Here is December's Spectrum list:

FIGHTER PILOT MANIC MINER NIGHT GUNNER ATIC ATAC SPECTRUM VOICE CHESS JET SET WILLY LEARN TO READ #1 I'M IN SHOCK LEARN TO READ #4 DRAUGHTS(checkers) ZIP-ZAP DERBY DAY(horse race) THE ALIEN MAZE GRAND NATIONAL(steeple chase) GREEDY GULTCH OMEGA RUN PANDEMONIA SPECTRAL INVADERS CRAWLER STONKERS

ORPHEUS BIRDS AND BEES WOODS OF WINTER RABBIT SHOOT THE GREAT DETECTIVE **DOMINOES** ZARAKS ARCADIA(Runs 98%) RESCUE TASWORD TWO ASTRON(mach, code assembler)

AHHH111

TEST MATCH(cricket)

Anyone who has been able to load and run the programs that we list as crashed, please drop a note to the editor and we will periodically print an updated list.

These programs crashed in the night:

CHEQUERED FLAG WARLOCK'S TREASURE GORGON PENETRATOR(spectrum) GALACTIC PATROL STARGAZER THE KNIGHT'S QUEST

The Sears 13" Monitor/TV

Background

As new 64 column programs become available for the 2068, more and more people are looking for a television that can produce legible print on the screen in that mode. The solution, of course, is summarized in three letters; RGB. An RGB monitor is easily able to handle the fine detail that is required to produce legible type. Unfortunately, RGB monitors have been expensive - about \$600.00. In addition, they are single purpose units there's no way you're going to unbook it to watch your favorite game, as you might with a standard

The rules have changed now. Sears has produced its Model 4084. This set is both an RGB monitor and a high quality standard TV - for the price of an average 13" color set.

An important consideration for Timex users is the amount of overscan the set provides. In broadcast TV, sets typically paint a picture that is 12% bigger than the tube's face. This keeps the sync pulses, and ragged edges from showing on the screen. The Timex was designed with this overscan in mind, and thus leaves a 15% border around the picture. OK, they should match up, right? Well they do, if the signal is going to a commercial TV. Monitors typically are built with no overscan. They are designed to recieve carefully controlled signals, and to display information from edge to edge. Now, when you get your 2068 hooked up to your new \$600.00 RGB monitor, you will discover that the image is much smaller than you expected, as the Timex is restricting itself to what it assumes is the clearest part of the display, the center; while the monitor is restricting its scan so that you can see every bit of the signal that's being sent. The Sears set offers optional compression in RGB mode - in other words, you can leave it alone, and see your text from edge to edge!

The CU's Review

The following information is abstracted from Consumer Reports, January '85. The Sears 4084 is a 13" color TV, with additional RGB input. It offers a varactor tuner with 12 channels, a room light sensor, one button color control (judged difficult to adjust), and has antenna, composite video , and RGB inputs.

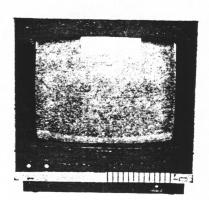
CU compared the Sears set to 20 other general purpose TV's. They found that the Sears was "by far the best color monitor - even though it was near the bottom of the ratings." The ratings were

based on picture quality, and should be taken with a grain of salt - all the sets were close together. Sears had the sharpest picture, with above average ratings for picture clarity, freedom from geometric distortion, fine scan lines, excelent automatic color control, and fringe UHF reception. It was down graded for poor tone quality, poor black-level retention, and poor VHF fringe reception.

Conclusions

It looks like the Sears 4084 would be a good bet, the only hedge is that there are other RGB-compatible sets becoming available - CU promises to review them in a future issue.

MF



Computers Use the Phone

Calls to Coke Bottler Baffle Switchboard WASH. POST 1/16/85

Associated Press

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C., Jan. 15-A municipal building was supposed to be closed and empty at night and on weekends, but computer records showed hundreds of telephone calls, some within seconds of each other, being placed from two phone extensions.

It wasn't a burglar. It was two computerized Coke machines trying

to phone home.

City officials couldn't figure out how anyone was getting into the Sanitation and Fleet Maintenance building after hours to place the hundreds of local calls to the same number, as shown on a switchboard computer printout.

Police found that the number be-

ing dialed was the local Coca-Co Bottling Co. That led to the tw Coke dispensers.

Bob Johnson, who runs the se vice department at Coca-Cola Bo tling, said the machines were out fitted with a computer system that automatically called another con puter each day, reporting how man bottles had been sold. This allowe the distributor to know when the machines needed refilling withou making unnecessary stops.

If the callers heard a busy signa they would disconnect and cal

again-and again.

Johnson said the system was dis connected last week, after it was discovered that the machines had a "manufacturer's flaw."

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With the events leading up to a combined Jan/Feb newsletter we did have the benefit of testing an additional 15 Spectrum programs on the ROMSWITCH equipped 2068.

If you have been following the money news, you already know that the relation of the English pound to the U.S. dollar is becoming very positive for us "Yanks" who are taking advantage of the Spectrum programs available. At press time the pound was bouncing around \$1.11 with certain financial prognosticators predicting the dollar to be worth more than the pound in 18 months.

Those of you waiting patiently for an interface to make the Spectrum 1 periferal work on the 2068, get ready. There are at least two or three U.S. outfits putting the final touches on their pc boards and with a little luck, in a couple of months we may be able to plug in the Spectrum 1 add-on which has Tasword 2, Masterfile, and Games Design on ROMS, a couple of ports in the back and one Micro-drive attached.

Now wait, let's not get too excited. We don't have any idea of price. This sounds like a good add-on, especially since you will be able to add additional Micro-drives, but you'll probably have to be really serious about using your 2068 to put out the bucks for this elaborate add-on.

Anyway it's sure nice to know that other folks "out there" are continuing to develop to some degree the 2068.

Well here is February's Spectrum program round-up.

Programs that loaded and ran:

PAINT BOX(art)
SCREEN MACHINE
SCHIZOIDS
MAKE-A-CHIP(teaching electronics)
BACKGAMMON
HORACE GOES SKING(no joy stick)

SURVIVAL(ed. science/game)
MUSIC TYPEWRITER(wow!)
LEARN TO READ #5
LEARNING BOX-Red Riding Hood/
Goldilocks
PSION-HORIZONS(Spectrum Demo)

These programs said "NO! NO! not in my rom you won't":

SINCLAIR ZX CHESS T-S GAMMA(tool kit)

SPECTRUM ZEUS ASSEMBLER
TERMI-TOY

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Magazine Review: Computer Trader Magazine.

Remember the good old days? 35 cent gas, 5 cent telephone calls, and \$1.50 an hour wages? Remember when <u>Byte</u> was thin? Have you ever wondered whether the new magazine you were trying to read was published by <u>Cosmo</u>, since you couldn't tell the copy from the ads? Are you sick of two column inches of text sandwiched between multi-page full color glossy ads for software that doesn't exist yet? (and won't run in anything less than 512K)

If you have looked in vain for an escape from the New York Media Magazines, I have a ray of hope for you. Computer Trader Magazine. If you have any sort of personal computer, or are involved in amature radio, check it out. It's not New York, and it's not Big Media; it's a little operation run by a fellow named Chet Lambert, but of Birmingham AL. And it shows. The contents page appears twice: once on the cover, a la old National Geographic, and again inside. It is printed in black and white, and is labeled CONTENTS. Each of the articles are clearly labeled. Most of the text is made up of continuing columns, with a smiling photo of the author, and his address. The body of the text is word-processed through a daisy-wheel printer, in a two column format. It's a full size magazine, with two color covers and glossy paper. My only complaint is that everything is right justified, making for big spaces between words at times.

Content

CTM makes an effort to cover a variety of computers with each issue. There is often a slant toward using them in amature radio. I've seen three issues; each of them had at least seven articles and columns specifically for the Timex. Moreover, many of the other columns and articles acknowledge the Timex. For instance, variations in Timex code will be mentioned in a Kaypro article. The recurrent themes are; doing it yourself, doing it cheap, and sharing what you've learned with the others. Articles tend to be short, but big projects aren't avoided; they're just split up over a few months. Beginners need have no fear of being ignored. There's a big "Letters" column. where questions and clarifications from the authors take place.

The last part of CTM is the unclassified. It's split into three columns, and also right justified, making for occasional large gaps in a line. But it has an immense variety of stuff for sale. What's more, it's free to subscribers.

The columns tend to be homey; more like a

letter from your brother than a corporate memo. But that doesn't mean they stint on info - there's a lot of experience out there, and it comes across.

Advertizers

The crowd you knew and loved from SYNC is back, encouraged by Chet's moderate prices. In addition, there's a lot of HAM stuff as well. I didn't see any info on subscription size, but I know that he's been growing steadily for three years, and it looks like he'll be around for a while longer. I think that advertizers should be happy with his performance.

How to get it:

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Send \$15.00 to LAMBERT Publishing House, 1704 Sam Drive, Birmingham, AL, 35235.

SOFTWARE REVIEW

By Jim MacKemzie

ZX 31 73 1000, T3 1500, 1K - 16K Item : 30ftware cassette (\$24,95) From : URC Software PO Box 448 Scottsburg, IN 47170

> (812) 752-**6071** (About 8:30 PM) Please include a SASE

"Super Tape" is the type of tape that Time: should have included with the computer. There are 45 programs on a 50 minute tape, most of them 2K. They run from "Tape Name Reader" to "Flower." The large number of programs has something that will appeal to the beginner aswell as the experienced buff. I found more than a dozen that I liked.

The instructions are on a 6 foot Timex printout, and are rather sketchy (not surprising due to the mumber of programs). I have had no problem loading any programs, and I enjoy running them. The tape arrived with a money back guarantee five days after I mailed the check.

FOR SALE

ZON-X Sound generator, for T/S 1000. Three channel sound chip, open for software control. Self contained, w/speaker, powered from bus. Perfect, new condition. Cost \$50.00, sell for \$30.00 589-7407.

Here is a 3-dimensional plotting program that removes hidden lines. You can easily revise the program to plot any function you desire. For illustrative purposes I have plotted the function: y=250/(r+3) * cos(r/10) where r=sqr(x*x+z*z).

I have chosen to represent the axis that is supposed to be sticking out of the paper (the z axis) by a vector depicted in the plane of the paper (the x,y plane) by a line 30 degrees to the x axis. The values plotted are then xp and yp as calculated on lines 70 and 80. This is a convenient and widely used representation. Other representations can be tried which have the effect of looking at the object from different angles. The formulae for the general rotation by angle A about the y-axis and then by angle B about the x axis is:

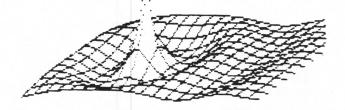
xp=x*cos(A) - z*sin(A)
yp=x*(-sin(A)*sin(B)) + y*cos(B) z*(sin(B)*cos(A))

The commonly used isometric projection is achieved with A= 45° and B= 35.27°.

The hidden line elimination is achieved by saving in the array V(xp) the largest value of yp plotted at xp. If the point to be plotted has a value of yp less than that of V(xp) then the point is not plotted. The suppression of a point on a particular x-scan is noted by placing a 1. in the array U(xp). This information is then used to determine if the short sections of the z-scan should be plotted. Watching how the code draws the picture will help a great deal in understanding.

The code as written is in need of cleaning up. Lines 140 to and including 190 are essentially repeats of lines 50 through 82 so a subroutine could have been used.

Roald A. Schrack



```
20 DIM v (256)
22 DIM v (256)
   22 DIM
30 FOR
32 FOR
33 LET
                      120 STEP 10
256
      FOR Z=0 TO
FOR k=1 TO
            U(k)=0
   34 NEXT
   40 FOR X=1 TO 200 STEP 1
   50 LET
            r=50R ((x-50) + (x-50) + (z
-60) * (z -60))
   60 LET
            9=250/(r+3)*005 (r/10)+
15
   70
      LET yp=y+.433*z
LET xp=x+.75*z
  80 LET
81 IF
82 IF
           (XP)=255) THEN GO TO 100
(YP)175) THEN LET YP=175
       IF (UP (V(XP))
   84
                          THEN LET U (XP
       GO TO 100
) =1:
  86 LET v (xp) =yp
90 PLOT xp,yp
 140 LET
            r=50R ((x-60) + (x-60) + (w
-60) * (w-60))
 150 LET y=250/(r+3) ±005 (r/10)+
 160 LET yp=y+.433 *w
170 LET xp=x+.75 *w
           (xp)=255) THEN GO TO 220
(yp)175) THEN LET yp=175
(U(INT (xp))=1) THEN GO
 180
       IF
 190
       IF
 200
TO 220
 210 PLOT XP, YP
 220 NEXT W
 230 NEXT
 400
      REM
 410
      NEXT
 500
      STOP
```

>>>>>>>>>> Editor's note

For those interested in helping the newsletter out, read this.

This comes close to being an ideal submission. Mechanically, the copy was dark, and clean. Editorially, the program is short, with a text explanation of some of the logic behind the program. This text is enough to give the reader a feeling for how much time he would want to invest in understanding the program.

Improvements? Very few people go to the trouble, but adding REMs to explain the function of each element would be helpful. When readying a program for the newsletter, take a little time to review the flow of the program, to see if an outsider could easily understand it. Also, renumbering to an even interval would speed typing it in. Don't forget – use Radio Shack thermal paper!

BIG PRINT

1 BORDER 0: PAPER 0: INK 7: 0	2
LS 5 INPUT "Input message ";a%	
10 INPUT "Width?":w	
20 INPUT "HEIGHT?";h	
25 INPUT "Location?(x,v) ":x: " ";y	,
26 LET $x=x*8$: LET $y=175-y*8$	
30 FOR J=1 TO LEN as	
35 LET c=CODE a\$(J) 40 FOR s=0 TO 7	
50 LET p=PEEK(15360+c*8+s)	
60 LET v=128	
70 FOR g=x TO x+8*w-1 STEP w 80 IF p <v 150<="" goto="" td="" then=""><td></td></v>	
90 FOR f'=0 TO W	
100 FOR a=0 TO h	
110 PLOT @+f,y-a 120 NEXT a	
130 NEXT f	
140 LET P=P-V	
150 LET v=v/2	
160 NEXT & 170 LET y=y-h	
180 NEXT s	
190 LET x=x+8*w	
200 LET y=y+8*h 210 NEXT J	
220 PRINT #1:"""Z""=Refine.""V'	1
"=CLS,Anv Kev=CONT"	
225 PAUSE 0 230 IF INKEY\$="V" OR INKEY\$="v"	1
THEN CLS	
240 IF INKEY\$="Z" OR INKEY\$="Z"	t
THEN GOTO 300	
250 GOTO 5 300 INPUT "Row?";y	
310 INPUT "# of rows?";n	
320 INPUT "Ink?(0-9)";i 330 INPUT "Paper?(0-9)";p	
340 INPUT "Bright?(1-on/0-off)"	,
; b	
350 INPUT "Flash?(1-on/0-off)";	
360 DIM Bs(704)	
370 PRINT AT y,0; OVER 1; INK 1	
; PAPER p; BRIGHT b; FLASH f; B&(TO n*32)	
380 GOTO 5	
9999 SAVE "big print" LINE 1	

DAVID KUT,P

note: (enter # of times enlarged after width and height prompts.-Line 10,20)

0<=x<=32-Line 25

0<=y<=21-Line 25

TS1000/ZX81/TS1500

M/C GOTO BASIC

by George White

Yeah, sure Basic is convenient but it operates soooo slowly.

Yeah, sure Machine Code operates fast but it is so @#/be* tedious to write.

Hybrid or mixed programs can serve as beautiful blends with execution jumping from Basic statements to M C operations when speed is needed and returning when things get complicated. The Basic part of the program can jump to any point in the M C portion by way of <u>USR</u> commands, as explained in the operating manual.

Dr. Logan & Dr. O'Hara, in their book The Complete Timex TS1000/Sinclair ZX81 ROM Disassembly, point out a section of ROM that can be used to let the Machine Code portion jump to any line of Basic. The sub-routine at 3718, named GO-TO-2, accepts a Basic line number (<10000) in the HL register and arranges the system variables so that a Z80 RET instruction will return control to that Basic line. To use: just load HL, call GO-TO-2, and return; or:

DEC	ASSEMBLY	ΗΞX
197 33 LSB MSB	PUSH BC LD HL, NN	C5 21 LSBh MSBh
205	CALL	CD
134 14	GO-TO-2 3718	86 ØE
193	POP BC	31
201	RET	C9

Where: LSB + MSB * 256 = Basic Line No. e.g. LSB=44 MSB=1 : Basic Line No.=300

The PUSH BC / POP BC instructions are needed only when a value is returned to Basic from Machine Code, so 7 bytes are often sufficient to jump to any line in an effective hybrid program.



WORD! By John Conger

FIRE IN THE VALLEY

By Freiberger & Swaine

RUN - don't walk - to the nearest discount book shop and pick up your copy of the above. (About \$7.85)

Aside from this month (Jan.) being the tenth anniversary of the first PC. the Altair, the full birth pangs of which are described in facinating detail, the 93 pictures included are alone worth the price of admission.

This paperback history of PC beginnings will keep you up nights reading true details of the counter-culture phone phreaks, money hungry entrepreneurs, idealistic hobbyists giving away valuable hard and software, and how and why the first companies went bust and how some unlikely characters rode towering waves of success.

Words and pictures show us who did what and how:

Teenagers Jobs and Wozniac developed the Apple, offered it to Atari and HF, who saw no market for personal computers, so they quit work with those companies and built Apple I in Jobs' garage.

Bill Millard, who develped the second PC based on the Altair design, the IMSAI, sold 13,000 of them before folding and going on to become the first computer Billionaire as owner of ComputerLand.

Felsenstein, who was Master of Ceremonies of the first PC Users Group: the HOMEBREW CLUB. He designed add-ons for Altair, built an improved PC (the SOL), and designed the first portable: the Osborne.

Osborne himself, who as the only engineer west of Philadelphia who could write understandable english, wrote the Intel technical manuals and a book called "An Introduction to Microcomputers". IMSAI included a copy with its computers as the Owner's Manual. He appeared at Homebrew meetings as his own publisher with a cardboard box of his books for sale.

Bill Gates, who with friend Paul Allen, while at Harvard wrote a BASIC for Altair and its 8080 processor in six weeks, and went into business as Microsoft - later writing MS-DOS, adopted by IBM as its FC operating system.

Gary Kildall, a consultant to Intel and professor of computer science at the Graduate Naval Academy, did programming of the 4004, 8008 and 8080 chips. He wrote the operating system for the 8080 two years before the Altair used it as the basis of a computer. His system was called CP/M. Intel thought it had little commercial value so let Kildall market it as his own. Later he and a student wrote CBASIC and gave IMSAI rights to use it in exchange for one IMSAI computer and a printer.

And what happened to the Altair creator, Ed Roberts? The selling of kits got too much for him, so he sold out for \$1,500,000., bought a farm in Georgia and entered medical school.

All these actors and more are painted in living colors in this facinating book. It highlights the drama and romance of the creation of a new industry, one which may change our culture forever. Read and enjoy!

TS1000/ZX-B1 COMMENTS

from Jesse Peeler, Costa Rica Users Group

TECHNICAL COMMENTS RELATING TO THE SINCLAIR ZX-81 AND THE TS1000 COMPUTERS AND EXTERNAL 16K RAMS

P.C. Boards are identified as issue 1 or issue 3. Both versions are found in ZX81s/only issue 3 is used in the TS1000. Electrically, they are almost identical. Issue 3 is an improved layout with a neater appearance. ZX81s have ICs mounted in sockets. The TS versions have their RAM chips hard soldered in place. All ZX81s were built in England or sold in kit form. Most TS were built in Portugal, but some were built in France. Quality control was highest on ZX81s. Poor quality control was observed on TS units, particularly those manufactured in Portugal. Fabrication defects most observed were faulty installation of the flexible PC "fingers" from the keyboard into the special sockets. This defect has been observed in almost 100% of TS units manufactured in Portugal. Unsoldered/partially soldered ground busses were observed in both Portuguese and French units.

ICs(Integrated Circuits)

All units use a SCL (Sinclair Computer Logic) special purpose chip manufactured by Ferranti-ULA 2C184E. (Ferranti will not even acknowledge letters requesting info or cost).

All units use a D2364C ROM. CPUs vary. ZX81s have NEC P1Z308-151 or D780c-1. TS uses Zilog chips. All are Z80A chips in one fore or another.

RAMS, INTERNAL

Most variation is seen with the RAM. In the ZX81, only 1K of RAM is built in. The PC board was cleverly designed to use either 2 @ 2114s or a single 4118. The 2114 is a 1K x 4 static RAM, whereas the 4118 is a 1K x 8 dynamic RAM. TS internal RAMs are all 2K in various versions from different manufactors, i.e., Toshiba 2016P-1, Motorola 2CM3B81BC, NEC D4016D-1, Toshiba TMM 2016P-1.

TRANSISTORS

ITX-313s are normally used I have found uMPS-2369s mounted in one computer. Also, I have found that an MPS-3563 works well as a substitute.

LOAD/SAVE Modifications

Change R-27 to 27ohes and C-11 to 0.015 mfd.

RAMS, EXTERNAL (16K variety)

PC boards are identified as issue 1, 2, or 3. Issue 1 and 2 are composed of 2 small PC boards that are folded inside the case. The differences between 1 and 2 are minimal—an additional diode and decoupling capacitor. Issue 3 combines many logic functions in a single Ferranti ULAIHO35E chip to reduce the chip count by 5 and a single PC board is used, mounted in the same case. (Ferranti won't answer any questions on this chip either).

Transistor is either a 2TX-750 or 2TX-752. Recent French and Portuguese units used either a 2M6727 or MPS6727.

Mobble is often a problem-varies with units. The French units utilize a PC connector that has the tightest fit resulting in least wobble of all units observed. (Unfortunately, ZX80 and ZX81 were chosen as names of Sir Clyde's(sic) first two computers. There is a tendency to confuse these designations with Z-80 and Z-80A, which are the CPUs. Therefore, remember that Z-80A is a Zilog designator for their 4MHz CPU.)

POWER SUPPLY PROBLEMS

Once in a great while you get a noisy power supply. In such

still partially function with 1 or 2 diodes bad-but it will b noisy!) You must crack open the power supply case and find th faulty diode(s) and replace them with 1N002 diodes. I've never seen a capacitor fail, but it could and the replacement is . 1000 mfd /16V capacitor.

I recommend cracking open the power supply whether there is a problem or not. I can put a miniature SPST switch in series with the output so that I can kill power at the power supply, rather than pulling the plug at the computer.

To avoid drop-outs due to looseness of the power supply plug I removed the power jack completely. (Desolder it and remove.) then hard wire the power wires in place, tack them securely with some silicone rubber and the power drop-out problem is completely solved. For an even neater job, one should consider putting a small male and female connector near the power suppl to disconnect the system. Watch out you don't reverse polarity!

Lifted from SINCUS (1/85)

<u>UNCLASSIFIED</u>
A + J MicroDrive stringy-floppy, with three microwafers (20", 35", 50"). \$125.00

ZX 81 with E-Z Key Keyboard and case. 64K RAM from Independence Research and Channel 33 modulator. \$125.00

ZX printer. \$50.00

10 books - with the computer, \$25.00; alone - \$50.00

ZX 81 game packages 1.4; Flight Simulator. If sold alone, \$25.00; with computer, \$15.00.

If bought separately would have to pay over \$500.00; all of the above, as a package, \$300.00. All prices include postage anywhere in the US; money order or chashier check to: Robert Simons

3851 Furrow Creek Rd. Anchorage, AL 99516

Spotted in passing: Gemini 10X from Best Products; \$249.00 + tax. Gemini clone from Protecto
Enterprises (theres a name to inspire trust) @
\$239.00 + \$14 shipping. (312)382-5244. Also a
Comstar TF 15.5" 18x18 (!) dot matrix printer,
\$339.00 + \$14.95 shipping. VISA & Mastercard OK.
Thanks, Tom Cover.

Sale!!! Dec duel 5 1/4 Disk Dives ready to run will work with Arco Interface for T/S 1000. \$210 firm. Mike Cohen 270-5991

HIGGENBOTTOM RUMOR #7832...STRAIGHT POOP FROM TIMEX

The Christmas issue of T-S HORIZONS claimed a big scoop from none other then David Higgenbottom claiming that he had confirmed a new and substantial investment and that he will be able to meet TIMEX's requirement for aquisition of TIMEX computer technology.

You'll recall that this is the person who has allegedly been on the verge of buying the rights to the TS 2068 since at least May '84 and planning to manufacture more of them, develop it more fully, and open "The Little Computer Stores" all over the U.S.

Personally, I hate rumors like this.

So the entire C.A.T.S. Newsletter investigative reporting team went to great lengths to get to the higgenbottom of this story—we picked up the phone and called what's left of the senior management organization at TIMEX Computers in Connecticut.

This is the straight information direct from the mouths of TIMEX:

- David Higgenbottom talked with TIMEX at least half a dozen times in 1984 about buying the computer technology.

- David Higgenbottom did contact TIMEX in December to relay the

fact that he had a new investment.

- As far as real negotiations with TIMEX, that is premature and no hard negotiations have ever taken place.

- TIMEX has a lot of interest in seeing the TS-2068 pickedup by

some group.

- TIMEX said that if a proper buyer presented a serious

proposal, they would sell the TS-2068 rights.

- TIMEX did not poo-poo David Higgenbottom. As a matter of fact they indicated that of all the interested parties, Higgenbottom is the most active and so far has the clearest plan for what he would like to see happen.
- TIMEX wishes Higgenbottom well and hopes he will be able to come to them with a complete package.
 - But nothing firm exists as of this time...period.

FOR SALE:

-One complete working TELEX machine with modem, printer, stand, and approximately 10 rolls of paper. Make offer. 202-363-2244 A. Pollock.

-Free Spectrum Rom 3 with purchase of a TS-1000 program-\$15. Write Spec 3, Box 452, Randallstown, Md. 21133

-Spectrum Rom 3, \$17.50. N. Vatch 301-661-6236

-Spectrum Rom 3, \$17.50. T. Brooks 301-972-4541

The Backplane Map: Spectrum vs. 2068

The following diagram gives some idea of the differences between the Spectrum expansion bus and the 2068's.

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Undersid	ie	Compon	ent side
Spectrum		2068	Spectru
	SIG GND	SIG GND	
A16	Spk/to out	EAR	A15
A12	+150	—— <u></u>	A13
+50	+50	 57	D7
+90	NOT USED	DZIN (NO)	
SLOT	SLOT	SLOT	SLOT
6 V	PWR GND	D0	DØ
9V	PWR GND	D1	D1
ČŘ	CLOCK		D2
AØ	A0	D6	D6
	Ai	D5	D5
A1	A2	D3	D3
A2		———D3 ———D4	D4
A3	A3		INT
TORQULA	A15B	INT	NMI
0V	A14B	HALT	
VIDEO	A13B		HALT
Y	A12	MREQB	M REQ
V	A11	IORQB	
U	A10	RDB	<u>RD</u>
BUSREQ	A9	WRB	WR
RESET	A8	BUSACK	-5V
A7	A7	WAIT	WAIT
A6	A6	- + BUSREQ	+120
A5	A5	RESET	-1 2V
A4	A4	M1	MI
ROMCS	DZOUT (nc)	RFSHB	RFSH
BUSACK	R	EXROM	A8
A9	G	ROMCS	A10
A11	В	BE	
	BUSISO	——I OAS	
	VIDEO	SOUND	
	SIG GND	SI3 GND	

This information will help hack Spectrum hardware onto a 2068. If you've never looked at such things, some of the conventions may be unfamiliar. Names with a bar overhead (such as INT) are read "not INT". It means that they are active low. In other words, their rest state is +5V; when they do their job, they drop to 0V. The other detail is the "B" after some sentrys. This indicates a buffered line; rather than just as been added to reinforce the signal. Its not changed, but is able to travel farther, or service more other circuits than unbuffered lines.

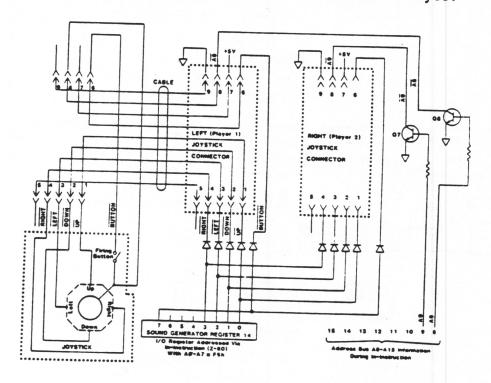
The following information is lifted out of the Timex Technical Manual, sections 2.1.7 and 4.3. This should work from within a Spectrum ROM environment.

The two joysticks are controlled via Register 14 (I/O Port A) of the Programmable Sound Generator Chip (see Sections 2.1.6 and 2.1.7). Address and data are passed via Ports OF5H and OF6H respectively. The joysticks are read by first addressing Register 14 in the PSG by writing a 14 (OEH) to Port OF5H. The data is then read by executing an IN from Port OF6H, having the port address in Z8O Register C and the joystick (player) number in Register B (number = 1 or 2). Note that PSG Register 7, Bit 6 is assumed to be zero, enabling I/O Port A for input. If you ever use I/O Port A for output (R7, B6=1), you will want to clear Bit 6 prior to any input operation.

Sample routine:

GETJOY	LD OUT LD	A, OEH A, (OF5H) B, playerno	Load A = 14 Address the joystick port
	LD IN CPL	C, OF6H A, (C)	Data Port address to C Joystick data to A Complement to High Active
	AND	8FH	Get significant bits

The data read is LOW ACTIVE, i.e. all bits = 1 (byte=FFH) when the stick is at center and the button is not depressed. Figure 4.3-1 shows the interpretation of the data byte.



1984 TAX PREPARATION

INSTRUCTIONS

The MENU is the main driver of this program. In case of trouble enter, 60 TO 1996. Entering STOP in response to a MENU prompt will halt the program.

The complete program is in three parts, IRS1040, IRS2 SCREENS, and IRS2. The first is just a loader and the second, a pretty picture. The third part is the operating program. Any modifications to suit your needs should be made there.

Only MENU operations 1, 5, and 7 may be chosen as the initial responses. Operations 2, 3, 4, or 5 can only follow the previous choice of 1 as a second response. Operation 5 displays to either screen or printer and shows all the tax forms that have been setup with data. Operation 2 must be used with care as the initial query asks a crucial question. A yes answer clears all the files and should be so answered the first time through a new tax computation, and answered no at all following times. Operation 3 shows only the current form as selected in operation 1 on the screen. Operation 6 is similar for printer output. Operation 7 saves only the opeating program and tax data. Any changes to tax data in Forms A — W will be reflected in the 1949 Form T.

The tax table contains three items for each tax bracket; the bracket income limit, the bracket tax rate, and the tax accumulated from lower brackets.

Form SE is not now operative, but any form you need could be put there. All tax values are in the T array under the counter control shown in the DATA statement 5110. Changes in the string arrays must be reflected through the T array and the F portion of following strings.

1940 TAX RETURN PROGRAM MENU

FIRST SELECT FORM (1), THEN SELECT OPERATION (2-4 of 6)

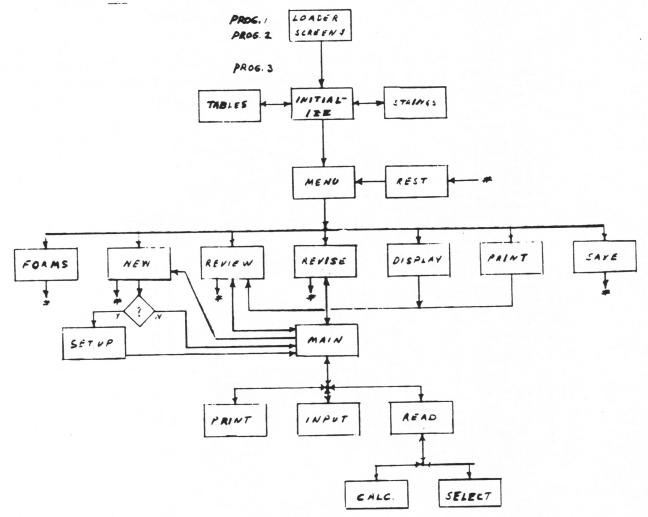
SELECT FORMS A,E,SE,T OR U 1

ENTER NEW DATA 2

REVIEW OLD DATA 3

CHANGE DATA 4

PRINT RESULTS 5
SAUE DATA 7



1040 TAX CALCULATIONS

NO OF EXEMPTIONS (L6e) WAGES (L7) INTEREST INCOME (L8) ST TX REFUND (L10) PENSION, ROLOVERS (L17) TOTAL INCOME (L23) IRA DEDUCTION (L26) MARRIAGE DED. (L30) TOTAL DED. (L31) ADJ GROSS INC. (L32) MEDICAL MIM. (L4,A) HEDICAL DED. (L5,A) FIL. STAT. 2,5 (L27,A) NET DEDUCT. (L28,A) PIL. STAT. 2,5 (L27,A) NET INCOME (L35) = EXEMPTIONS (L36) TAXIBLE INCOME (L37) TAXIBLE INCOME (L37) TAXIBLE INCOME (L37) PERSONAL TAX CREDIT (L49 BUSINESS TAX CREDIT (L49 TOTAL TAX FED TAX WITHELD (L57) "-"=REFUND:"+"=PAY ITEMIZED DEDUCTIO	\$315.4 \$450 \$-134.5

DR, DENT, INS\$ (L2a, A)
HED. XPORTATION (L2b, A)
OTHER MEDICAL (L5, A)
TOTAL MEDICAL (L5, A)
ST/LOC. INC. TAX (L6, A)
REAL ESTATE TAX (7, A)
GENERAL SALES (L8, A)
OTHER TAXES (L9, A)
TOTAL TAXES (L10, A)
HORT INTEREST (L11, A)
FINANCE CHARGES (L12, A)
TOTAL INTEREST (L14, A)
CONTRIBUTIONS (L18, A)
CASUALTY, THEFT (L19, A)
TOTAL MISCELLEN. (L23, A)
ITEMIZED (W/O MED)
RENT, ROYALTY, ETC I \$500 \$59 \$199 \$559 \$1599 \$1470 \$120 \$3898 \$2888 \$2888 \$4888 \$6000 \$200 \$250 \$100 \$9540 INCOME

RENTAL INCOME (L3a,E)
RENT COMMISSION (L7,E)
RENT INSURANCE (L8,E)
RENT INTEREST (L9,E)
RENT REPAIRS (L11,E)
RENT TAXES (L13,E)
RENTAL EXPENSE (L17a,E)
RENT DEPRECIAT (L18,E)
RENTAL COSTS (L19a,E)
NET RENT INCOME (L23)
SPOUSE INCOME TAX \$2400 \$550

LARGER INCOME (L1a, U) \$12000 ADJUSTMENT (L4a, W) SMALLER INCOME (L1b, W) \$1000 SHALLER INCOME (L1 ADJUSTMENT (L46, W) DEDUCTION (L8, W) \$300

ERRATA

Line No. Change

445 CLS:PRINT AT 2,0; VS PRINT

1010 OPERATION VS FORM

1090 add 30 spaces after V within quotes, and add: IF M=1 THEN PRINT AT 21,5; "YOU HAVE SELECTED

FORM": FLASH L:F\$(F);FLASH 0

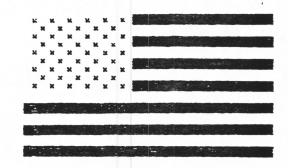
1105 (add) IF M<1 OR M>7 THEN GO TO 1000

6130

9140 enclose current computation with 9180

INT((current computation)*100)/100

1 REH IR51040 1985 R. PARKER
IR52 © 1984 M. FISHER
BASED ON J.R. FLANNAGAN PROGRAM
2 PRINT AT 21,0
3 LOAD "IR52" SCREEN\$
4 LOAD "IR52" PROGRAM SAVE "IR51040" LINE 2



1985 1040 TAX PREPARATION

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1 REM IRS1040 1985 R U Parker
IRS2 © 1984 M. FISHER
ED_ON J. R. FLANNAGAN PROGRAM
SASED
          REM
      2
       3 REM
      4 PRINT AT 21,0;" HIT ANY K
TO CONTINUE ": PAUSE 4E4
5 BORDER 5: PAPER 7: INK 1: C
          LET NEU=1:
                                  LET YORN=700:
       6
T SETUP=200: LET MENU=1000: LET REST=800: DIM A(6): DIM F$(6): DIM P(15): DIM S(6): DIM D(6): GO SUB 9000: GO S
UB 5000
    18 GO TO MENU
          REM ********READ SUB*******
FOR J=1 TO LEN R$
IF R$(J)=";" THEN GO TO 60
IF R$(J)="#" THEN GO TO 500
IF R$(J)="&" THEN GO TO 500
    38
    30
    40
    45
    48
8
    50
           NEXT
          LET PS=RS ( TO J-1)
LET RS=RS (J+1 TO )
    50
    78
           RETURN
    88
          REM *******PRINT SUB*******
LET POS=PR-LEN STR$ INT TR
IF LPRINT>0 THEN GO TO 117
PRINT TAB POS;P$(LEN P$);TR
GO TO 120
LPRINT TAB POS;P$(LEN P$);T
    38
  100
  185
  118
112
117
R
  120
           POKE 23692,255
  140
           RETURN
          150
  160
  170
  188
          REH
  198
                   ######SETUP########
  599
                   READ=20
  262
           LET
                   POS=0:
                                  POKE 23658,8
                   PRI=90
           LET
  218
                   PR = 28
  215
           LET
  538
550
                   T (50)
          DIM
                   IN=160
          LET
                   : RESTORE
  235
          CLS
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REM #######AIN LOOP#######
FOR I=S(F) TO D(F)
GO SUB RERD
IF LPPTME
 249
 268
 278
             LPRINT > THEN GO TO 287
        IF
 275
        PRINT PS!
 280
        GO TO 298
 282
            RINT PS( TO LEN PS-1);
PS(LEN PS)="F" THEN G
        LPRINT PS (
 287
                                      THEN GO T
 588
  400
2
        GO SUB IN
LET T(I) =TR
GO TO 450
 366
  310
 320
        GO SUB READ
LET T(I) = VAL P$
LET TR=T(I)
 488
 418
 428
        LET PS="$"
GO SUB PRI
IF I=18 THEN PRINT : PRINT
ANY KEY TO CONTINUE": PAUSE
 430
 440
 445
"HIT
         PRINT
 4E4:
        NEXT
 450
        RETURN
 460
        REM #### FORM SELECTION
 500
3
 518
       IF R$ (J-1) ="A" THEN GO TO
59
       IF R$(J-1) ="E"
                                 THEN GO
                                              TO
 520
38
       IF R$(J-1) ="5"
                                 THEN GO TO
 530
38
       IF R$ (J-1) ="U" THEN GO TO
 548
58
       GO TO 50
LET PS=R
 550
              P$=R$ ( TO J-2) : IF
                                              A(2)
 568
      THEN GO TO 580
570 LET T(38) =0: LET T(50) =0

580 GO TO 70

590 LET P$=R$( TO J-2): IF A

=3 THEN GO TO 610

600 LET T(34) =0

510 GO TO 70
                                          IF A(3)
 600 LET T (
510 GQ TO
520 LET P
                  70
              'Ā$≐Ā$( TO J-2): IF A(4)
GO TO 640
 520
 4 THEN GO TO 6
630 LET T(8) =0
640 GO TO 70
650 LET P$=R$(
=4
              P$=R$ ( TO J-2) : IF A (5)
     THEN GO
        LET T (60) =0
GO TO 70
LET T (8) =T (60)
  668
  678
  688
             TO
                  70
  590
        60
        REM ##### GET Y OR N ######
        REM ##### 62.
PRINT AT 21,0
LET 9=""
POKE 23658,0: INPUT U$
  700
  718
        POKE 23658,8
POKE 23658,8
IF U = INKEY =
LET q = q = + U =
  728
  730
  748
                             THEN GD TO 758
  750
             r q$=q$+b$
|q$="y" or q$="n" THEN RE
  760
  778
TURN
       PRINT "KEY ""Y"" OR """""
  789
        GO TO 728
  798
              ####### REST ########

ST : PRINT "HIT ANY KEY _
  866
        REH
319 PRINT : PRINT "HIT ANY KETO RETURN TO MENU": PAUSE 4E4:
       REM #######
CLS : PRIMIT
                                       ########
104
AB 14;"ME
1999
                               MENU
1010 CLS : PRINT RT 0,0;" 104
8 TAX RETURN PROGRAM", TAB 14; "ME
NU", , "FIRST SELECT FORM (1), THE
N SELECT OPERATION (2-4 of 6)",
        PRINT "SELECT FORMS R.E.SE,
 1020
        PRINT "ENTER NEU DATA"; TAB
   OR
1939
     ..8..
29;"1
                  "REVIEW OLD DATA"; TAB
         PRINT
 29; "3" ///
1959 PRÍNT "CHANGE DATA"; TAB 29;
 1860 PRINT
                  "DISPLAY RESULTS"; TAB
  29;
 1876 PRÍNT "PRINT RESULTS"; TAB P
                  "SAVE DATA"; TAB 29; "?
 1888 PRINT
        PRINT AT 20,0; TAB 6; "ENTER SELECTION", "U"
POKE 23692,255: INPUT M
GO TO (1200+200*(M-1))
 1666
 HENU
 1180
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1200 REM *** FORM SELECTION ****
1210 CLS: PRINT " DO YOU WANT T
D WORK ON FORMS A, E, SE, OF
U (y DR n)": GO SUB YORN
1220 IF q\$="y" THEN GO TO 1260
1230 CLS: PRINT " DO YOU WANT T 1536 FORM 1040? 0 THEN CLS 1248 GO TO HENU 1250 LET A(1) =1: EN T\$): LET F=1: LET RS=TS(TO L CLS PRINT "INPUT FORM DES 1250 CLS A E SE OF W": FOR F=2 TO 5 IF F\$(F)=1\$ TO INPUT IRED 1270 THEN GO TO 1300 1288 +10 +F 1290 NEXT PRINT AT 21,0;" SELECT FORK 1300 HORK INPUT FOR SE, or u": IN GO TO 1270 LET R\$=A\$(INPUT IS LET R\$=A\$(GO TO 1360 LET R\$=E 13**10** 13**20** TO LEN AS) : LET F=2: LET TO LEN ES): 1330 GO TO 1350 LET R\$=5\$(GO TO 1350 LET R\$=U\$(F=3: TO LEN 58): LET 1340 F=4: TO LEN US) : 1350 F=5 PRINT " Y A (F) =F: 1360 CLS LET SELECTED FORM FLASH OU HAVE F\$ (F); FLASH 1370 60 TO REST REM ****** NEU DATA ***** LET NEU=1: LET IN=160: LET 1400 LET 1410 LPRINT=0 HENU OPT THIS 1420 CL5 PRINT DO YO FILES. ION CAN ERASE ALL THIS? (y OR U UANT TO DO YORN

YORN

F q\$="n" T)

REST

PRIME 1430 GO SUB CLS T AT 0,0 THEN GO SUB 240: 1435 1448 TO PRINT GO T 1450 NEU=0: GO SUB 190: LET REST ****** REVIEW **** LPRINT=0: LET NEW=0 1500 REM 1610 LET PRINT AT 0,0: LET CLS 1620 NS(F) 1630 +R\$ LET IN=1700 GO SUB 240: LET TR=T(I) GO TO REST 1640 1700 SUB PRI 1710 60 RETURN 1720 REVISE **** 1800 REM ***** NEU=1: LET LPRINT=0 1805 LET NEU=1. IN=1900 PRINT "WANT TO REVISE 1810 CLS : PRINT "WANT TO REVI RES? (9 OR n)" GO SUB YORN IF Q\$="" THEN GO TO MENU LET 1828 FIGURES? 1825 1830 0,0: LET PRINT AT CLS 1848 NS (F) +RS 1850 GO GO TO REST SUB 240: TR=T(I)
SUB PRI
INT " DK? LET 1988 GO NT " OK? (y OR n)" PRINT GO SUB YORN IF I-S(F) (18 THEN PRINT RT 1938 1935 IF I-5(F)(10 I-5(F)+3,8 1936 IF I-5(F)>=18 THEN PRINT AT I-S(F)-15,0 1940 IF q\$="y" THEN RETURN 1950 PRINT AT 21,0; "ENTER NEW UR LUE": IF I-S(F) <18 THEN PRINT AT I-S(F)+2,24: GO SUB 150 1951 IF I-S(F)>=18 THEN PRINT AT I-S(F)-16,24: GO SUB 150 1955 IF I-S(F) <18 THEN PRINT AT I-S(F)-15,0 940 IF Q\$="Y" 950 PRINT AT 21,0;"
T I-5(F)+3,0
1956 IF I-5(F)>=18 THEN PRINT HT PRINT 1960 RETURN

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2000 REM ###### DISPLRY ######

2010 LET NEW=0: LET IN=1700: LET

REST=2080: LET LPRINT=0

2020 CLS: PRINT "DO YOU WANT R

PRINT COPY? (9 OR N)"

2030 GO SUB YORN

2040 IF Q$="9" THEN LET LPRINT=1

2050 FOR F=1 TO 5

2060 IF A(F)=0 THEN GO TO 2090

2070 GO TO 2100+10#F

2080 PRINT: PRINT "HIT ANY KEY

TO CONTINUE": PRUSE 4E4: PRINT

2090 NEXT F
 5989
           HEXT
 2100 LET REST=800: GO TO REST
2110 LET R$=T$( TO LEN T$): GO T
2110
     1628
2120 LET R$=A$ ( TO LEN A$):
     1628
 2138 LET R$=E$ ( TO LEN E$):
                                                           GO T
     1628
                                                           GD
2140 LET R$=S$ ( TO LEN S$):
     1628
2150
           LET RS=US ( TO LEN US) :
                                                           GO T
     1520
 2200 REM ###### LPRINT #######
           LET LPRINT=1
2210
           CLS : LET |
GO TO 1638
                               R$=N$ (F) +R$
2220
2238
2400 REM ****** SAUE
2410 SAUE "IRS2" LINE
2420 CLS : GO TO MENU
4200 LET N$(1) ="
ALCULATIONS
                                              *****
                                              1000
                                               1040 TAX C
4218 LET N$ (2) ="
                                              ITEMIZED D
EDUCTIONS
4220 LET N$ (3) ="
                                       RENT, ROYALTY
4230 LET N$ (4) ="
                                               SELF EMPL
4240 LET N$ (5) ="
                                           SPOUSE INC
4250 LET N$ (6) ="
                                                       VA STA
      TAX
TE
4260 RETURN
          REM **** LOAD TABLES ******
FOR K=1 TO 15
4333
5888
           READ X(K): READ P(K): READ
5818
 I (K)
5020 NEXT
                    К
           FOR K=1 TO 5
READ S(K): READ D(K): READ
 5825
5938
F$ (K)
5935 NEXT
5050 REM HARRIED TAXPAYERS JOINT RETURNS TAX TABLE
5060 DATA 0,0,0,3400,.11,0,5500.
5060 DATA 0,0,0,3400,.11,0,5500..12,231
5070 DATA 7600,.14,483,11900,.16
,1035,16000,.18,1741
5080 DATA 20200,.22,2497,24600..
25,3465,29900,.28,4790
5090 DATA 35200,.33,6274,45800..
33,9772,60000,.42,15168
5100 DATA 85680,.45,25920,109400
,.49,36630,162400,.5,62600
5110 DATA 1,24,"T",35,50,"A",25,34,"E",51,55,"SE",56,60,"U"
34,"!
5120
         RETURN
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6080 REH #####TAX CALCULATION###
6090 FOR K=15 TO 1 STEP -1
6100 IF T(18) >= X(K) THEN GO TO 6
    5188
   5118 NEXT K
5120 LET K=1
6130 LET T(19) = (T(18) -X(K)) *P(K)
+I(K)
    5135 LET PS=RS( TO J-2); GO TO 7
  6990 REM #####DATA SECTION#####
9000 LET T$="NO OF EXEMPTIONS(LE

¿) ; URGES (L7) $; INTEREST INCOME (

L8) $; ST TX REFUND(L10) $; PENSION,

ROLOVERS (L17) $; "
    SOO1 REM
  PRINCE LET ES="RENTAL INCOME (L3a, E) $; RENT COMMISSION (L7, E) $; RENT INTEREST (L9, E) $; RENT REPAIRS (L11, E) $; "
8011 REM
 9030 LET T$=T$+"TOTAL INCOME (L22) FE#T (2) +T (3) +T (4) +T (5) +T (34); IR
  A DEDUCTION (L25%) $; MARRIAGE DED. (L29) $U#TOTAL DED. (L31) F; T (7) +T (8); ADJ GROSS INC. (L32) F; T (6) -T (9)
9040 LET A$="DR,DENT,INS$(L48,A)

$; HED. XPORTATION(L46,A) $; OTHER

HEDICAL(L40,A) $; TOTAL MEDICAL(L5,A) F; T (35) +T (36) +T (37); "

9041 REM

9050 LET A$=A$+"ST"
 9841 REM

9850 LET A$=A$+"ST/LOC. INC. TAX

[L8,A)$; REAL ESTATE TAX(L9,A)$; G

ENERAL SALES(L10a,A)$; OTHER TAXE

S(L11a,A)$; "

9851 REM

9860 LET A$=A$+"TOTAL TAXES(L12.

A)F; T(39)+T(40)+T(41)+T(42); MORT

INTEREST(L13,A)$; FINANCE CHARGE

S(L14,A)$; TOTAL INTEREST(L16,A)F

; T(44)+T(45); "

9861 REM
  9051 REM
9070 LET
9061 REM
9070 LET A$=A$+"CONTRIBUTIONS(L2
0,A)$; CASUALTY, THEFT(L21,A)$; TO
TAL MISCELLEN.(L25,A)$; ITEMIZED
(U/O MED)F; T(43)+T(46)+T(47)+T(4
6)+T(49);
9071 REM
9080 LET T$=T$+"MEDICAL MIM.(L6,A)F; INT.(100*T(10)*.05)/100; MEDICAL DED.(L7,A)FA#(T(38)-T(11))*(
(T(38)-T(11))>0); TOTAL DEDUCT.(L26,A)F; T(12)+T(50);
9081 REM
9090 LET T$=T$+"FIL. STAT. 2,5(L27,A)F; 3400; NET DEDUCT.(L28,A)F;
9081 REM

9090 LET T$=T$+"FIL. STAT. 2,5(L

27,A);3400;NET DEDUCT.(L28,A);;

(T(13)-T(14))*((T(13)-T(14))>0);

NET INCOME(L35)=F;T(10)-T(15);EX

EMPTIONS(L36);T(1)*1000;TAXIBLE

INCOME(L37);T(16)-T(17);"
#140 LET T$=T$+"TAX(L38)FT&T(19);TAX CREDITS(L48)$;""BALANCE""(L49)F;T(19)-T(20);"
9141 REM
9150 LET
9141 REM

9150 LET T$=T$+""TOTAL TAX""F;T

(21); FED TAX WITHELD (L57) $; ""-""

=REFUND: ""+""=PAYF;T (22) -T (23) "

9180 LET W$="LRRGER INCOME (L18, U

) $; ADJUSTHENT (L48, W) $; SMALLER IN

COME (L16, W) $; ADJUSTHENT (L46, W) $;

DEDUCTION (L8, W) F; (T (58) -T (59)) #@
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9900 GO TO 4200

446 Year Calendar

by Jim Mackenzie

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10 REM "2"

20 REM **** CALENDAR ****

510 REM *****GET YEAR******

520 PRINT AT 12.0; "ENTER A YEAR

30 REM CHUCK DAWSON

BETWEEN 1753", "AND 2199."
 40 REM * SYNC 3.1 PG 34
                                           530 INPUT Y
  50 REM REVISED 22 DEC 84
                                           540 IF YK1753 OR Y)2199 THEN GO
  60 REM * JIM MACKENZIE
                                          TO GETYR
  70 REM THIS WORKS FOR THE YEAR
                                            550 RETURN
1753 TO 2199
                                            530 REM
  80 CLS
                                            570 REM ******PRINT MONTH****
  90 FAST
                                            580 CLS
 100 LET MONTH=250
                                           590 PRINT AT 3,8;8$;" ";Y
110 LET FULYR=340
                                           - 600 PRINT AT 6.0:A$(39 TO )
 120 LET SEARCH=440
                                           610 GOSUB STMON
 130 LET GETYR=510
                                           620 PRINT AT 8,Z*4;
140 LET PRMON=570
                                           630 LET M=M+1
150 LET STMON=730
                                           - 640 GOSUB STMON
 160 LET SETUP=830
                                            650 IF Z=0 THEN LET Z=7
                                           660 FOR I=1 TO 31
 170 GOSUB SETUP
                                           670 PRINT " ":I:" ":
 180 IF E$<>"Y" THEN GOSUB MONTH
190 IF E$="Y" THEN GOSUB FULYR
                                           680 IF IK10 THEN PRINT " ":
690 IF I>27 AND 33-PEEK 16441=Z
 200 PRINT TAB 0: ... "TRY AGAIN?
                                           *4 THEN RETURN
 210 INPUT E$
                                            700 IF PEEK 18441=5 THEN PRINT
 220 IF ES="Y" THEN RUN
                                           7 3 4
 230 STOP
                                            710 NEXT I
240 REM
                                            720 REM
                                           730 REM ***START PRINT MONTH***
 250 REM ******MONTH********
                                            740 LET X=0
 260 PRINT AT 8.0: INPUT MONTH
                                            750 IF M=1 OR M=2 THEN LET X=1
(ONLY THE FIRST", "THREE LETTERS)
                                            760 LET L=Y-X
                                            770 LET X=M+X*12
270 INPUT B$
                                            780 LET PHINT (L/100)
280 GOSUB SEARCH
                                            790 LET Z=INT (13*(X+1)/5)+INT
290 IF B$="NO " THEN GOTO MONTH
                                           (5*L/4)+INT(P/4)-P
300 GOSUB SETYR
                                           800 LET Z=Z-7*INT (Z/7)
310 GOSUB PRMON
320 RETURN
                                            810 RETURN
                                            820 REM
330 REM
                                            830 REM ****** SETUP *******
340 REM *** PRINT FULL YEAR ***
                                            840 LET A$="CDJANFEBMARAPRMAYJU
350 GOSUB GETYR
                                        NJULAUGSEPOCTNOVDECSUN MON TUE W
360 FOR G=3 TO 38 STEP 3
                                          ED THU FRI SAT"
370 LET B$=A$(G TO G+2)
380 GOSUB SEARCH
                                            850 DIM B$(3)
                                            860 DIM E$(1)
390 GOSUB PRMON
                                            870 PRINT AT 4.0: "PRESS ""M"" F
400 COPY
                                           OR A MONTHS DISPLAY, OR ""Y"" FO
410 NEXT G
                                           R A YEARS PRINTOUT."
420 RETURN
                                            880 PAUSE 4E4
430 REM
                                           890 LET E$=INKEY$
440 REM *******SEARCH******
                                            900 RETURN
 450 FOR M=1 TO 12
460 IF B$(1 TO 3)=A$(3*M TO 3*M
                                           Ed. note
+2) THEN RETURN
                                             Is this program easy to understand? If you
                                           think so, try writing modular programs yourself.
470 NEXT M
 480 LET B$="NO "
                                           (This is the most modular I've seen in a while.)
490 RETURN
                                           Using variables for <u>all</u> GOTOs makes the flow
                                           easier to follow, and makes renumbering a breeze.
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500 REM

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Sarah,

This letter is being sent as per our conversation concerning the spectrum ROM's. I am willing to organize a group buy, and if twenty people or more are interested, we can get them for about \$12.00 apiece. I have sent for them in the past and know who, what and where to go so there will be no hassle. I also saw that quite a few people were hesitant about making the modification to their machine. As I have done this a number of times I am willing to do it for whoever would want me to. The total cost to the owner will be \$15.00 for the work and I will supply all the parts, except the ROM. I will even go as far as to say that I have seen absolutely no problems when the conversion is done, and the 2068 is also a Spectrum. The total conversion will take less than an hour, and it can be running the same day it is done.

If needed, I will be glad to present this to the club at the next meeting, and if they can get moving, it can be accomplished by the following meeting. If you have any questions call me at 765-5455 W, or, 360-7448 H.

Sincerely,

Peter Geller 7912 Fitzroy St. Alexandria, VA. 22309

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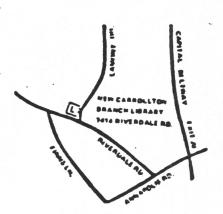
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